

OREAD MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

MEETS CIRCULAR JANUARY FEBRUARY 1975

JANUARY 11-12

PRESIDENT'S MEET

Nat Allen

Once again Heathy Lea, once again, for those that are interested It is a weekend meet. The programme although similar to other very successful functions held at Heathy Lea should give us all a good do!! The sons of suction will be entrenched in the "Wheatsheaf" Baslow Friday night for the sole purpose of testing beer and larger, probably followed by the usual bout of Cumberland wrestling in the hut kitchen, star attractions 'John Collier Janes' and C & A Handley. Saturday morning spent repairing damaged clothing, preparing the Barn for the rave up, light dimming, decorating etc. Time enough for a session on the edges or whatever may inspire.

The evening begins in the Wheatsheaf, with an early retirement to the Barn for the amazing sounds of 'Big Belly Carnells Disco' Bring a bottle, and ladies, some grub for our 'Norwegian table'. A drinking vessel can be an asset. Miss Oread 1973 and Water-on-the-knee-Pretty will open the dancing with a snowball waltz. The groping and graddling should end with the usual flash of boyish ego from Handley when Appleby normally - thrashes him in the odd trial of strength. Sunday we take it as it comes with the Edges in the rain providing the attraction. Hope to see you all there. Aye, Nat

January 24 -26

PATTERDALE

G. Gadsby

The Meet, the first long distance meet of 1975, is based in Deepdale near Patterdale in the delectable Eastern Fells. This is an opportunity for new members to savour the joys of winter camping, whilst old hands remember with nostalgia the early sixties and the incredible Winters we had then; when Pettigrew skied down Tryfan! when the gullies on Y Garn avalanched every week; the ice on Lyn Dinas was 18 inches thick; Shap Fell was always blocked and Chuck Hooley's well remembered cry was "The Hut is frozen"

The pundits say the Ice Age is coming; let's hope this weekend sees the start of it. Camping will be in Tony Brown's field, official location is Deepdale Hall Farm O.S. Ref; 398143 (nearly 1 mile south of Patterdale, the field forms the corner between the road to Lanehead and Deepdale Beck). This area has much to offer the Winter mountaineer with Fairfield and its neighbours providing interesting gully climbs given the right conditions, whilst the traverse of Helvellyn by Striding Edge and Swirral Edge will always give a good day. There's also scope for the cragsman on Dove Crag, Hutaple, Scrubby and St. Sunday Crag. So dig out those tents and let's hope for some fine sunny weather with snow on the campsite. For any information please see me two weeks before the meet in 'The Moon'.

FEBRUARY 4th

"SCOTTISH WINTER CLIMBING" by Paul Nunn

Indoor Meet

With luck, winter conditions should just have arrived, at least on the hills, and appropriately, Paul Nunn will be illustrating where its all at on the Scottish winter scene. The slides should be good, and Paul will be coming down from Sheffield for the evening, so please turn up. At the Royal Oak, Ockbrook, about 8pm.

FEBRUARY 7 -9

OGWEN VALLEY

R. COLLEDGE

(Joint meet with the M.A.M.)

A joint meet with the MAM at their Welsh hut, situated at the eastern end of Lyn Ogwen in the Nant Ffranchon Pass. At the end of a straight section of road, and just prior to the Lake, turn right onto a rough track, immediately cross a bridge and find the hut in a clump of small trees.

Excellent accommodation with separate facilities for men and women and a useful car park. Rock climbing and walking abound without even the need to use the car, whilst there is always the prospect of winter gully climbing in snow. The leader will not be available Jan 26th- Feb 2nd, but will be at Paul Nunn's lecture So start saving petrol money now.

JANUARY 11-12 PRESIDENT'S MEET

Applications for membership have been received from the following;

- Ken Norman, Flat 2 The Post Office, Alstonfield, Staffs
Proposed - Derek Carnell
Seconded - Les Peel
- Mr & Mrs Ken Bryan 126 Brookhill St, Stapleford, Notts
Proposed - Gordon Gadsby
Seconded - Reg Squires
- Beryl Strike 9 Bailey Street, Derby
Proposed Gordon Gadsby
Seconded - Derek Carnell
- John Green Ivy Cottage, Church Lane, Morley
Proposed - Gordon Gadsby
Seconded - A.N.Other

any members having views on the suitability of any of these persons for membership should write to the Hon Secretary, Pete Scott, without delay.

New Members

Julien Dunster, Stuart Firth and John Hudson have been accepted as full members of the Oread.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Owing to rising costs, it has been decided to increase the subscriptions to the following figures:-

- Married couples £3.50
- Individuals £2.50

Please send the correct remittance, which is due on January 1st, to L. Burns as soon as possible. This increase was of course authorised at the last A.G.M.

Prprospective members will you please look on your envelope for a message regarding your sunscription for the period January-June 1975 - 50p to pay.

Clive Russell
Meets Secretary
Rookery House
Parwich
Ashbourne
Derbyshire

FEBRUARY 4th

FEBRUARY 5-9

"SCOTTISH WINTER WALK" by Paul Mann
 with lack winter conditions snow had arrived at 11am
 on the hills, and appropriately Paul Mann will be illustrating
 where the hill of the Scottish winter seems, the hills should
 be good, and Paul will be coming down from Gifford for the
 evening, so please turn up at the Royal Oak, Johnson, about
 7pm.

OWEN VALLEY
 (Ladies meet with the W.M.C.)
 A joint meet with the M.M. at their usual meet, situated at the
 bottom of the valley in the West of the valley. At the end
 of a short walk to the top of the valley, and just prior to the
 right onto a main track, immediately across a stream and into the
 but in a clump of small trees.
 Eminent recommendation with several ladies for the day and
 women and a useful one. Now, however, the ladies will be
 without even the need to see the day, which is a
 the prospect of winter fully anticipated in snow. The leader will not
 be available for 20th Feb Sat, but will be at Paul Mann's house
 to start saving petrol money now.